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## A. IN THE CLAIMS

In order to better assist the Examiner with the prosecution of the case, the current pending claims have been included in their entirety for which reconsideration is requested.

### 1. (CANCEL)

2. (ORIGINAL) A method for interacting between participants through a network of computers, comprising:

analyzing successive video images received as input from a camera capturing video of at least one of the participants for an actual physical gesture made by the one participant;

determining a state of the actual physical gesture made by the one participant;

accessing a table for an action associated with the determined state of the actual physical gesture; and

automatically generating a command for the action to a software program enabling a real time communication between the participants thereby sending a representation of the actual gesture within the real time communication.

3. (ORIGINAL) A method for communicating between participants through a network of computers, comprising:

analyzing images of at least one of the participants received as input for an actual physical gesture;

associating each of a plurality of gestures to separate commands of an application program interface for communicating in real time between the participants; and

transmitting an associated command to the application program interface for communicating between the participants.

### 4. (CANCEL)

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5. (ORIGINAL) A computer system having means for interacting between participants through a network of computers, comprising:

means for analyzing successive video images received as input from a camera capturing video of at least one of the participants for an actual physical gesture made by the one participant;

means for determining a state of the actual physical gesture made by the one participant;

means for accessing an associative mapping for an action associated with the determined state of the actual physical gesture; and

means for automatically generating a command for the action to a software program enabling a real time communication between the participants thereby sending a representation of the actual gesture within the real time communication.

6. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 5 wherein the associative mapping is a table.

7. (CANCEL)